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E. O. 11652: N/ A
TAGS: ETRD EFIN
SUBJ: ROBIN S. K. LOH

REF TOKYO 0688; STATE 07265; STATE 013030

1. EMBOFFS CONTACTED JAPAN EXIMBANK, SEVERAL "MAJOR" JAPANESE COMMERCIAL BANKS IN ATTEMPT CONFIRM NATURE, EXTENT SUBJECT'S FINANCIAL DEALINGS JAPAN.
2. WITHOUT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, BANKS UNABLE FURNISH ANY INFORMATION. REQUIRE DATES OF SPECIFIC TRANSACTIONS, SHIPPING COMPANY INVOLVED IN EACH TRANSACTION, ADDRESS OF SUBJECT IN JAPAN, ETC. EMBASSY ALSO REQUIRES NAME OF BANK INVOLVED IN EACH SPECIFIC TRANSACTION.
3. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY CONTACT IN JAPAN SHIP BUILDERS ASSOCIATION, SUBJECT CONSIDERED ONE OF LEADING CONGLOMERATES WELL ESTABLISHED IN SINGAPORE. ASSOCIATION BELIEVES THAT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS PROCEEDED SMOOTHLY ON LOH- CONTROLLED LISA SHIPPING COMPANY PURCHASE OF 30,000 DWT BULK CARRIERS FROM HITACHI TO BE DELIVERED IN DECEMBER 1974; ALSO ON 300,000 DWT REPAIR YARD IN SINGAPORE CURRENTLY UNDER JOINT DEVELOPMENT BY HITACHI AND LOH, UNDER NAME OF HITACHI ROBIN DOCKYARD, SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION JULY 1974.

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4. EMBASSY ADVISED BY EXPORT DIVISION, HITACHI SHIPBUILDING (TOKYO OFFICE) THAT HITACHI HAS CONSTRUCTED FOUR SHIPS FOR LOH, TOTAL DW 420,000 TONS, INCLUDING ONE 173,000 DWT FOREIGN OIL CARRIER. IN ADDITION, HITACHI HAS ORDERS FB TWO SHIPS WITH TOTAL DW 130,000 TONS FROM LOH AT PRESENT. NO RPT NO PROBLEMS IN DEALING WITH LOH IN PAST, AND IS CONFIDENT OF SMOOTH DEALINGS IN FUTURE. HITACHI CONSIDERS LOH QTE RELIABLE, A MAN OF HIS WORD UNQTE. HITACHI UNABLE PROVIDE NAMES LOH'S BANKS IN JAPAN.

5. IF FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED, PLEASE FORWARD INFORMATION REQUESTED PARA 2 ABOVE.

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